Southern New Castle County Crime Blitz Results in Mass Arrests

Southern New Castle County — A multi-agency operation conducted on Wednesday, January 22, 2020, at targeted locations throughout southern New Castle County and the north Smyrna area has resulted in the arrest of 52 individuals on criminal charges. The operation was conducted in specific targeted areas throughout this region to address criminal activity as well as ongoing quality of life issues.

During the eight-hour enforcement blitz, police arrested 52 individuals for either a criminal charge or outstanding capias resulting in the clearance of 71 active warrants. In total there were 57 criminal arrests (16 felony, 41 misdemeanor) which included charges for weapons, drugs, prostitution and probation violations, along with 135 traffic arrests. Items and contraband seized as a result of the operation included 8 firearms, 39 baggies (.273 grams) of Heroin, 606.7 grams of marijuana. 1.93 grams of crack cocaine, .1 grams of methamphetamine, along with an assortment of drug paraphernalia.

This initiative was a collaborative effort between the Delaware State Police, Middletown Police Department, Smyrna Police Department, Newport Police Department, Newark Police Department, Delaware City Police Department, Probation and Parole, Department of Corrections, and Justice of the Peace Court 11.

This combined effort highlights how the cooperation of multiple law enforcement agencies combat crime which in turn increases quality of life for the communities we serve.

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